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AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

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SUBJECT: NIGERIA AND NIGER

REF: LAGOS 3403

1. FMG REPLY TO GON NOTE REPORTED REFTEL WAS HAND CARRIED TO
NIAMEY APRIL 22 BY NORTH WESTERN STATE MILITARY GOVERNOR
FARUK. ON RETURN TO LAGOS, FARUK REPORTED TO GOWON, AND PRESS
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RELEASE FOLLOWING THEIR MEETINGS EECLARED THAT LATTER "HAS

DECIDED TO CONSIDER GIVING FURTHER ASSISTANCE" TO GON. FMG
RELEASE ADDED THAT GOWON ALSO ADDRESSING TO UNSYG "URGENT
REQUEST FOR ACCELERATEE ASSISTANCE TO NIGER AND OTHER STATES
AFFECTED BY EROUGHT."

2. MEA OFFICIALS HAVE SINCE TOLD US AND OTHER MEMBERS OF
DIPLOMATIC CORPS THAT NATURE OF SCOPE OF FMG ASSISTANCE
NOT YET DECIDED. ONE SENIOR OFFICIAL TOLD US APRIL 29 THAT
FMG UNLIKELY GO MUCH BEYONE TYPE OF ASSISTANCE IT IS CURRENTLY
PROVIDING, PRIMARILY IN TRANSPORT OF RELIEF SUPPLIES. HE
INDICATED SOME THOUGHT BEING GIVEN TO FURNISHING GROUND NUTS
AND COTTON SEED, BUT IMPLIED THIS WAS STILL IN DISCUSSION STATE.

3. COMMENT: DESPITE GON APPEALS, WE DOUBT FMG IS PREPARED TO
COMMIT SUBSTANTIAL RESOUCES FOR AID TO ITS NORTHERN NEIGHBOR,
THOUGH AS INDICATED ABOVE SOME SMALL-SCALE EXPANSION OF
EXISTING PROGRAMS MAY YET EMERGE.
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